SELLECK OF CLIFTON CAMPVILLE, STAFFS

ARMS:

CREST:

11. Robert a Selleck (Elizabeth^ Blake, John 0 , Humphrey 0), yeoman of Over Stowey and Nether Stowey, Somersetshire, was born about 1584. [148] He died probably at Nether Stowey in or about 1637. [149] He married about 1608 Theophila Cox, daughter of Henry Cox, rector of Nether Stowey. [150] She was buried as a widow at Nether Stowey, 8 January 1640/1. [151] Robert was first a resident of Over Stowey, where most of his children were baptized. He settled at Nether Stowey after the baptism of his daughter Elizabeth in 1616/7. He was certainly living there by 1625 when he deposed in chancery that he was aged about forty years. [152] Robert Selleck of Nether Stowey again testified in chancery on 24 April 1628, now aged about 45 years, regarding the lands of Robert Blake, deceased. [153] In 1621 Robert Selleck was one of the overseers of the will of Philip Torrey, whose wife, Alice Richards (#10), was Robert's first cousin. Four of Philip Torrey's sons and one of Robert Selleck's sons immigrated to New England.

Children of Robert A and Theophila (Cox) Selleck, all baptized at Over Stowey except Nathaniel and Joan: [154]

i. Nathaniel Selleck, b. ca. 1609; no baptism found at Over Stowey, but he is identified as a son of Robert and Theophila Selleck in the will of his grandfather, Henry Cox of Nether Stowey. [155] Nathaniel Selleck of Nether Stowey, gent., aged 26 years "or thereabouts," made a deposition in chancery on 28 Sept. 1635. The case involved a dispute over lands in the parishes of Spaxton and Nether Stowey between his uncles William and John Selleck, plaintiffs, and Richard Olyver and Simon Legg, defendants. [156] Nathaniel Selleck of Nether Stowey, gent., was bondsman for the marriage license of his brother David 1 Selleck in 1636. He was still in Nether Stowey in 1641/2, when he was taxed in the lay subsidy. [157] ii. John Selleck, bp. 6 Jan. 1611/2; resided at Nether Stowey. He d. 23 or 30 June 1690 [158] and was bur. in Wells Cathedral 1 July 1690. [159] He m. Margaret Hallett of Corfe, Somerset. [160] John's will, dated 10 Dec. 1686, proved 9 Oct. 1690, [161] mentions, among others, his sister Joan Selleck, son John Selleck and his wife Elizabeth, son Nathaniel Selleck and his wife Susannah, and daughter Theophila Wynne. Also mentioned are the minor children of a cousin, Robert Selleck of Nether Stowey, deceased, and a dwelling house in Nether Stowey. Margaret was bur. at Nether Stowey, 8 July 1654. John Sellecke, clerk, was taxed at Nether Stowey in the 1641/2 lay subsidy. [162] He received a B.A. from Christ Church, Oxford, on 11 Feb. 1630/1; M.A. 29 Oct 1633; D.D. Lambeth, 4 Feb. 1664/5; rector of Elworthy, Somerset, 1643; canon of Wells, 1660; Archdeacon of Bath, 1661; rector of Clifton Campville, Staffordshire, from 1664 until his death. [163]

Children of John and Margaret (Hallett) Selleck: [164]

- 1. John Selleck, b. ca. 1641 (age 30 in the 1672 visitation); called "eldest son" of Dr. John Selleck in the will of his sister Joane. John Selleck, gent, resided at Stanton Drew, Somerset, where he d. between 24 Feb. 1715 (date of will) and 14 Jan. 1719/20 (date of probate). [165] He m. (1) Elizabeth Cooke, daughter of William and Anne (Rolle) Cooke of Highnam, Gloucestershire; (2) Penelope Newton, daughter of Sir John Newton of Barrs Court in Bitton, Gloucestershire. Penelope d. 28 May 1722 age 63. [166]
- 2. Nathaniel Selleck, b. ca. 1648 (called second son in 1672 visitation); d. Clifton Campville, Staffordshire, between 2 Dec. 1690 (date of will) and 4 Jan. 1700/1 (date of probate). [167] He m. (1) Anne (Piers) Deane, daughter of Rev. William Piers, Archdeacon of Taunton, and widow of Dr. Henry Deane, Chancellor of Bath and Wells. She d. May 1680. He m. (2) Susannah . Nathaniel matriculated at Hart Hall, Oxford, 7 Dec. 1666, aged 18 years; BA. 1670; MA. 1673; canon of Wells, 1677; vicar of Buckland Abbotts, Dorset, 1679-1690; rector of Clifton Campville, Staffordshire, 1690, after the death of his father, who held the same living; canon of Lichfield, 1690. [168]
- 3. Theophila Selleck; m. Wynne.
- 4. Elizabeth Selleck, bur. Nether Stowey 7 Feb. 1654/5.
- 5. William Selleck, bur. Nether Stowey 2 July 1654.

John Selleck D.D. (Rector of Clifton Campville, Staffs) 1612-1690

Selleck, christened c 6 Jan 1611.2, was second son of Robert Selleck of Over Stowey, Soms yeoman c1584-1637 and Theophila Cox dau of Henry Cox (rector of Nether Stowey, Soms). He studied at Oxford where about 1628 he was a student at Christ Church. At Oxford he graduated B.A. on 11 Feb 1630.1 (M.A., 29 Oct 1633). On 21 Sep 1634 he was ordained deacon by Bath & Wells and (presumably) ordained priest. Probably in 1643 he was instituted rector of Elworthy, Soms. From 5 Feb 1643.4 he continued here as *de facto* presbyterian minister but was soon ejected. Selleck evidently remained an anglican and was a royalist and supporter of Charles II who recommended him "he having suffered for loyalty and done great service for preservation of His Majesty's person when in danger".

On 21 Jul 1660 he was collated prebendary of Salisbury Ruscombe and on 1 Aug 1660 collated prebendary of Wells St Decuman. At Wells he was also a canon residentiary. By *An act for the confirming and restoring of ministers* (13 Sep 1660) he was restored as rector of Elworthy. On 6 Jun 1661 he was collated as archdeacon of Bath. Probably on 4 Feb 1663.4 he was conferred D.D. by the archbishop of Canterbury. On 11 Nov 1664 after presentation by Sir John Coventry of Pitminster, Soms K.B. c1636-1685 he was (plurally) instituted rector of Clifton Campville. Still in all his offices he died, aged 78, and was buried on 1 Jul 1690 at Wells Cathedral. His will made on 10 Dec 1686 was proved at *PCC* on 9 Oct 1690. Selleck is not discovered to have visited Clifton Campville and likely appointed a stipendiary curate. In his will he did bequeath £40 to the poor here. Selleck married about 1641 Margaret Hallett (d 1654) of Corfe, Soms by whom he had three sons and two daughters. Nathaniel Selleck (Rector of Clifton Campville, Staffs) c1648-1700 was his second son and succeded his father at Clifton Campville.

▶John Selleck D.D. (Rector of Clifton Campville, Staffs) 1612-1690

1664-1690

c 6 Jan 1611.2 Over Stowey 2nd son of Robert Selleck of Over Stowey, Soms yeoman c1584-1637 [SLG] and Theophila Cox dau of Henry Cox (rector of Nether Stowey, Soms) m c1641 Margaret Hallett of Corfe, Soms; i 8 Jul 1654 Nether Stowey

d aged 80[sic] 23 OR 30 Jun 1690; i 1 Jul 1690 Wells Cathedral; M.I.; Will (PCC) 10 Dec 1686/9 Oct 1690

(B.A., Christ Church, Oxford) 11 Feb 1630.1 [FOSTER]

(M.A.) 29 Oct 1633

(as M.A., ordained deacon by Bath & Wells) 21 Sep 1634

(Rector, Elworthy, Soms) ?1643

- (instituted) ?1643

(presbyterian minister, Elworthy, Soms)

- (ejected) ?1645

(Prebendary, Salisbury Ruscombe)

- (collated) 21 Jul 1660

(Prebendary, Wells St Decuman)

- (collated) 1 Aug 1660

(Rector, Elworthy, Soms)

- (restored) 1660
- (in office) 12 Jul 1662

(Archdeacon, Bath) 1661

- (collated) 6 Jun 1661

(Rector, Clifton Campville, Staffs) 11 Nov 1664-d

- (presented by Sir John Coventry of Pitminster, Soms K.B. c1636-1685 [ODNB]) 11 Nov 1664 [his father died 1652]
- (as "Richard D.D.", instituted) 11 Nov 1664
- (licensed preacher by Lichfield) Nov 1664
- (as D.D., represented by Mr Hill) 4 Aug 1665
- (hearth tax for Clifton Campville & Haunton constablewick not certified) 1665 [1666 HT] (D.D., Lambeth) 4 Feb 1665 [a doctorate conferred by the archbishop of Canterbury] [date should probably be 4 Feb 1663.4 see above] (aged 60) 1672 [1915] [SIMMS]

chn: John Selleck [1] b c1642; (aged 30) 1672 [see VIS.SOMS.1672]
Theophila Selleck c *mother Mary on IGI* 1644 Corfe, Soms; m ----- Wyne

Nathaniel Selleck [2] b c1648; (aged 18) 1666 **[SCD]** Elizabeth Selleck i 7 Feb. 1654/5 Nether Stowey William Selleck i 2 July 1654 Nether Stowey

(16 Mar 1660.1) The King to the Dean and Chapter of Wells. Recommends again John Selleck, rector of Elworthy, co. Somerset, to the place of Canon Residentiary in the church at Wells void by death of Dr [James] Dugdale, notwithstanding any former recommendation, he having suffered for loyalty and done great service for preservation of His Majesty's person when in danger. [Cal State Papers Domestic]

John Selleck, rector 1643-5 and again from the 1660s until 1690, was ejected for loyalty to the king and was later involved in helping Charles II to escape. After the Restoration he became a canon of Wells and rector of Clifton Campville (Staffs.) and was responsible for ransoming English subjects held at Algiers in 1662. (fn. 115) [INTERNET]

(10 Dec 1686) John Sellick thelder of Wells somerset doctor of divinity and archdeacon of Bath ... Cathedral Church of Wells whereof I am a Residentiary £50 ... poore of Clifton Campvile £40 ... sister Joane Selleck ... son John ... dau in law Elizabeth wife of John ... Susannah Selleck wife of my son Nathaniel ... his son John ... dau Theophila Wyne ... her son John Wyne ... [many other relations mentioned]

Nathaniel Selleck (Rector of Clifton Campville, Staffs) c1648-1700

m1 Ann Piers dau of William Piers (Archdeacon of Taunton); m1 Henry Deane (Chancellor of Bath & Wells); d May 1680; M.I. (Buckland Newton)

m2 24 Apr 1684 Thorpe Constantine: Susanna Inge dau of William Inge of Thorpe Constantine, Staffs 1617-1662 QV; b c1644; d 23 Jul 1712 aged 68; i Clifton Campville; M.I. [below]

d 14 Nov 1700 aged 54[sic]; i 15 Nov 1700 Clifton Campville; M.I. [below]; Will (...)/4 Jan 1700.1

(aged 18, matriculated at Hart Hall, Oxford) 7 OR 19 Dec 1666

(B.A.) 1670

(M.A.) 1673

(Canon, Wells) 1677

(Vicar, Buckland Newton, Soms OR Buckland Abbots, Dorset) 1679-90

(Rector, Clifton Campville, Staffs) 7 Jul 1690

- (presented by Joan Sellick)

- (instituted) 7 Jul 1690

(Prebendary, Lichfield Dernford) 1690-d

(Canon, Lichfield) 20 Aug 1690-d [SIMMS]

chn: Margaret Selleck d 9 Dec 1676; M.I. (Wells Cathedral)

Theophila Selleck b c1678; d 7 Aug 1681 aged 3

[2] John Selleck

Here lies Nathaniel Selleck A.M. prebendary of the cathedrals of Wells and Lichfield and rector of this church son of John Selleck S.T.P. and rector here also. He died 14 Nov 1700 aged 54 leaving an only son John by Susanna daughter of Wiliam Inge esq. [SHAW I 397]

Here lieth the body of Susanna Selleck the second wife of Nathaniel Selleck ... she was the daughter of William Inge of Thorpe Constantine ... Obiit July 23 1712 aet suae 68. [SHAW I 397]

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